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**Gov. Perdue Tours Bertie, Hertford, Halifax and Wilson Counties in
the Wake of Severe Storms**
Calls for Flags to be Flown at Half-Mast to Honor the Deceased

RALEIGH – Gov. Bev Perdue visited Bertie, Hertford, Halifax and Wilson counties today, continuing to survey the damage after the weekend’s violent storms. Travelling with her were First Gentleman Bob Eaves; Doug Hoyle, director of North Carolina Emergency Management and U.S. Rep. G.K. Butterfield.

During the tour she spoke with more North Carolinians who have lost loved ones, as well as those whose property has been destroyed or damaged, as they begin working to rebuild their homes, businesses and their lives.

Perdue also spoke with local leaders to discuss the needs of their counties and what the state can do to assist.

“My heart goes out to those families who have lost their loved ones, and to all those families who are struggling in the aftermath,” Perdue said. “On Saturday, we were devastated, on Sunday we took stock, and today we’ve begun to clean up and begin the work of repairing our homes and businesses. The resilient spirit of North Carolina is alive and strong in our people, and that’s what will get us through this.”

Perdue has asked that flags across the state be flown at half mast to honor the deceased.

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